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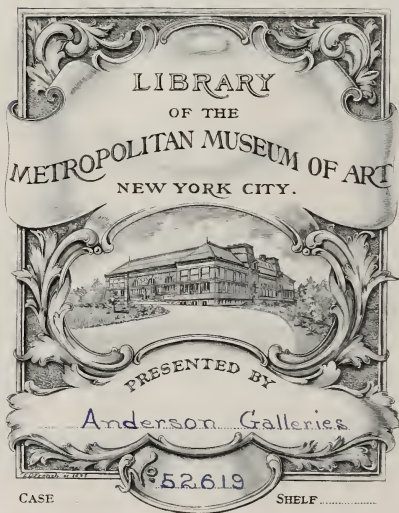
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THE PROPERTY OF
ARTHUR DAVISON FICKE
NEW YORK



VERY LARGE GRAYISH-WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH YOUNG
THE LARGEST AND ONE OF THE FINEST PIECES THAT HAS COME
UNDER OBSERVATION
[NUMBER 109]

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION
BY ORDER OF MR. FICKE
AT UNRESERVED PUBLIC SALE
THURSDAY AFTERNOON
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FOREWORD

THE history of this collection is somewhat curious. In the summer of 1920, I was travelling in China with an old friend. Almost overcome by the heat, he and I finally fled for breath to Mokanshan; and taking a small house in that high mountain region of the Province of Chekiang, we settled down to write. Both of us call ourselves poets. Almost daily, wandering pedlars would stop at our bamboo gate with bits of embroidery, porcelain, bronze and jade:—most of these wares were things of no interest or value. Occasionally, among the objects offered, I noticed a curiously carved piece of jade that reminded me a little of a sea-horse; and after I had seen three or four of these odd sculptures, whose use was then entirely unknown to me, I began to find that they exercised on me an unaccountable fascination. One day I bought one. A few days later I bought another. And by the time my collection had increased to half a dozen, I had become the most enthusiastic—and perhaps the first—dragon-hunter in the world.

During the succeeding months, I scoured China in search of them. There was no Peking art-shop too gorgeous, and no village junk-shop too mean, for my explorations. Sometimes I found one dragon, sometimes three, sometimes none. I remember one night when, under a blazing white moon, my self-sacrificing friend and I left our houseboat in charge of one of the coolies (to whom we gave my automatic pistol, with instructions to “make big noise” in case of trouble) and started off into an unknown and labyrinthic town in search of the quarter of the jade merchants. We were both mounted on very small donkeys led by very small donkey-boys; both my friend and I are very tall men, so when by chance the pitch-black narrow streets opened enough to let in a shaft of moonlight, I could see ahead of me a memorable picture—the donkey-boy as small as a child of seven, the donkey as small as a rabbit, and the infinitely long figure of my friend in silhouette dragging his legs on the ground or using them to push the donkey onward toward the desired goal of the dragon shops. . . . But that night we captured ten superb dragons,—and in the morning had to borrow a good deal of money from a friendly missionary, to pay for them.

“Dragons” we called them then; but what these objects really are is girdle-clasps, or belt-buckles. They have been known for at least two thousand years; and the form of them has not changed essentially in all that time. Within the last half-century, they have disappeared from daily life; and the mandarin whose ancestors once wore these superb ornaments now no longer considers them a necessary mark of his rank and dignity. They will therefore survive only in collections and in museums, where they will be treasured as precious examples of the Chinese genius for design and craftsmanship. No two of them can be found that are alike; each one is the product of months of painstaking labor and free invention by some unknown Chinese jade-worker of

past centuries. The more one studies them, the more clear it becomes that each is a small glyptic masterpiece.

Jade, because of its hardness, its indestructibility, and its beauty, has always had an almost religious significance for the Chinese. It is a symbol of immortality, the appeal of which to the Chinese imagination has been enormous. Though not so valuable as jewels, jade has always held a place of greater dignity in the Chinese mind; it is the noblest of materials, and the one best worth spending infinite pains upon.

The word "jade" is commonly used to describe several different minerals, such as jadeite and nephrite, which differ in their chemical and physical properties. No attempt will be made in this catalogue to enter into these scientific differences. The majority of these buckles are jade, of one kind or another; and attention will be called to the fact if some particular one is of another material, such as rock-crystal or agate. Most people think of jade as a green mineral; but this is by no means necessarily its color. When pure, it is white; and it is only the admixture of metallic salts, such as of iron or copper, that gives it a color. Jade can have any color whatsoever,—as many of the pieces of this collection testify.

It would be impossible, in a brief catalogue such as this, to give any intimation of the wealth of symbolic meanings that have been carved into these buckles. The dragon, the hydra, the bat, the fungus, the horse, the mantis, the cicada, the monkey, and the ram, has each its significance in Chinese mythological legend. Some of these forms go back at least two thousand years, repeated over and over again in bronzes and jades of century after century. These fantastic shapes are therefore racial rather than personal inventions: they are the creatures of prehistoric ritual,—mythology turned to stone.

Most of these buckles date from the Ming Period (1368-1644 A.D.) or from the reigns of the emperors, Kang-hsi and Chien-lung. A few of them, however, can with moderate certainty be given an earlier date. To the Han Period (206 B.C.-220 A.D.) may be assigned Numbers 54, 58, 64, 110, and 149. To the Tang Period (618-919 A.D.) probably belong Numbers 15, 16, 19, 35, 36, 37, 44, 57, 73, 75, 125, 132, 142, 143, 144, 145, 152, and 155. To the Sung Dynasty (960-1279 A.D.) we may assign Numbers 32, 34, 70, 76, 85, 93, 98, 112, 131, 137, 147, 165, and 168. Yet it would be folly to pretend to make these datings with absolute exactness; and I give them only as expressions of opinion, my own opinion, and that of several other students of the subject. I have no hesitancy, however, in guaranteeing that not one of these pieces is a modern fake, and I will willingly repurchase any fraudulent piece that may have deceived me and crept into the collection.

All the dragons are in perfect condition,—“sound of wind and limb.” They are all mounted on carved black pedestals, made to my order and design in Peking.

ARTHUR DAVISON FICKE

NUMBERS 1-180



LARGE WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH ITS YOUNG
ELABORATELY CARVED

[NUMBER 1]

1 LARGE WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH ITS YOUNG

Elaborately carved.

Length, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches

[SEE ILLUSTRATION]

2 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Ornamented with arabesque pattern.

Length, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches

3 YELLOW AGATE DRAGON WITH ITS YOUNG

Simple massive design.

Length, 5 inches

4 WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH ITS YOUNG

A wide massive piece.

Length, $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches

5 SLATE-GREEN JADE DRAGON WITH ITS YOUNG

Floral decoration.

Length, 5 inches

6 WHITE JADE HORSE WITH MONKEY

The monkey flourishes a whip.

Length, 5 inches

7 MOTTLED BLACK AND WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH ITS YOUNG

Massive design.

Length, 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

8 LONG WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH ITS YOUNG

Length, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

9 LARGE CHALCEDONY HYDRA WITH ITS YOUNG

Simple monumental design.

Length, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

10 MINIATURE WHITE JADE SCEPTRE

This piece shows clearly the relation between the ceremonial sceptre and the dragon-buckle; the two have the same curves, throughout all the centuries. Inlaid with two colored stones.

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

11 MINIATURE WHITE JADE SCEPTRE

Length, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

12 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Very simple and pure design.

Length, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

13 DARK GREEN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4 inches

14 LARGE WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Simple and free modelling.

Length, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

15 SLENDER JADE HYDRA, GREEN AND BROWN

TANG PERIOD

Length, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

16 BIRD IN MOTTLED BROWNISH JADE

TANG PERIOD

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

17 DRAGON IN WHITE JADE FLECKED WITH ORANGE

Length, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

18 DARK GREEN JADE BIRD

Simple design.

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

19 MOTTLED GREENISH JADE BIRD

TANG PERIOD

Compact design.

Length, 2 1/2 inches

20 DARK GREEN JADE DRAGON

Simple compact design.

Length, 2 3/4 inches

21 RED AND WHITE JADE DRAGON, WITH ITS YOUNG

Length, 3 inches

22 GREEN AND WHITE JADE DRAGON

Simple design.

Length, 3 1/2 inches

23 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Simple fluted design.

Length, 4 1/4 inches



WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH MOON PEARL ON ITS BREAST

[NUMBER 24]

24 WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH MOON PEARL ON ITS BREAST

Length, 4 inches

[SEE ILLUSTRATION]

25 WHITE JADE MANTIS WITH CICADA

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

26 JADE DRAGON WITH YOUNG

White with upper stratum of yellow.

Length, 4 inches

27 HEAVY WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4 inches

28 HEAVY ROCK CRYSTAL DRAGON

Length, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

29 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Solid shape.

Length, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

30 MOTTLED WHITE AND BROWN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4 inches

31 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Curious fluted back, and animal's head in place of a tail.

Length, 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

32 MOTTLED BROWNISH JADE DRAGON WITH HYDRA

SUNG PERIOD

Curious round shape.

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

33 PALE AGATE DRAGON

Length, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

34 DARK GREEN JADE DRAGON

SUNG PERIOD

Length, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

35 BRONZE DRAGON INLAID WITH GOLD AND SILVER

TANG PERIOD
Length, 3 inches

10 -

36 BRONZE DRAGON INLAID WITH GOLD AND SILVER

TANG PERIOD
Length, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

10 -

37 DARK GREEN JADE DRAGON

Extreme simplification of form.

TANG PERIOD
Length, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

10 -

38 YELLOW AGATE DRAGON

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

10 -

39 DRAGON AND YOUNG

Stratified white and red jade.

Length, 3 inches

22 -

40 LARGE WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Elaborately carved.

Length, 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

25 -

41 DEEP GREEN JADE DRAGON

Length, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

12 -

42 PALE GREENISH JADE DRAGON

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

750

43 SLENDER WHITE JADE DRAGON

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

11 -



MOTTLED BROWNISH JADE BIRD OF THE TANG PERIOD

[NUMBER 44]

44 MOTTLED BROWNISH JADE BIRD

TANG PERIOD

Length, 3 inches

[SEE ILLUSTRATION]

45 JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Yellow and white strata.

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

46 JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Red and white strata.

Length, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

47 WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH FRUITS AND LEAVES

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

48 WHITE JADE HYDRA WITH BROWN MOTTLINGS

Length, 4 inches

49 YELLOWISH-GREEN JADE DRAGON

Massive shape.

Length, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

50 YELLOWISH-GREEN JADE DRAGON

Slender shape.

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

51 WHITE AND BROWN JADE DRAGON

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

750

52 GREEN AND GRAY QUARTZ DRAGON

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

10 -

53 BLUISH-GREEN JADE DRAGON

Length, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

10 -

54 DARK BROWN JADE BIRD

HAN PERIOD

Length, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

9 -

55 WHITE JADE MANTIS

Wide curious form.

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

10 -

56 YELLOW AGATE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

10 -

57 WHITE AND BROWN JADE HYDRA

TANG PERIOD

Length, 4 inches

10 -

58 WHITE AND BROWN JADE HYDRA

Long, slender archaic form.

HAN PERIOD

Length, 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

10 -

59 LARGE WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

26 -

60 ORANGE AND WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 3 inches

10 -

61 WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH BIRDS AND FOLIAGE

One of the most elaborately carved pieces in the collection.

Length, 5 inches

25 -



LARGE ROCK CRYSTAL DRAGON AND YOUNG

[NUMBER 62]

62 LARGE ROCK CRYSTAL DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 6¼ inches

[SEE ILLUSTRATION]

63 APPLE-GREEN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 3¼ inches

64 DARK BROWN JADE BIRD

HAN PERIOD

Length, 3 inches

65 GREEN AND YELLOW AGATE MANTIS WITH CICADA

Extraordinary shape and color.

Length, 3 inches

66 GRAYISH JADE BIRD WITH BAT

Length, 3½ inches

67 WHITE JADE BIRD WITH FLOWERS

Length, 3½ inches

68 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 3 inches

69 PINK JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

70 WHITE AND BROWN JADE BIRD

SUNG PERIOD

Length, 3 inches

71 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Slender shape.

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

72 CHALCEDONY DRAGON

Length, 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

73 BROWN JADE BIRD

TANG PERIOD

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

74 WHITE JADE FUNGUS OF IMMORTALITY

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

75 MOTTLED WHITE JADE BIRD

Slender form.

TANG PERIOD

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

76 MOTTLED GRAY JADE BIRD

SUNG PERIOD

Length, 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

77 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

78 DARK GREEN JADE BIRD

Length, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

79 VERY LARGE YELLOWISH JADE HYDRA AND YOUNG

A massive and elaborate piece.

Length, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

80 APPLE-GREEN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4 inches

21 - 81 JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

White and red strata.

Length, 3 1/2 inches

10 - 82 WHITE JADE MANTIS AND CICADA

Length, 3 3/4 inches

9 - 83 YELLOW AGATE BIRD

Length, 3 1/4 inches

19 - 84 LARGE WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5 1/2 inches



BROWN AND GRAY JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

MASSIVE FORM

[NUMBER 85]

36 - 85 BROWN AND GRAY JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG SUNG PERIOD

Massive form.

Length, 5 1/2 inches

[SEE ILLUSTRATION]

86 LARGE WHITE JADE DRAGON

Simple form.

Length, 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches

87 GREENISH-GRAY JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

In two parts, carved from one piece of stone.

Length, 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

88 DARK GREEN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4 inches

89 MOTTLED WHITE JADE DRAGON

Length, 5 inches

90 LARGE DARK GREEN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

91 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Length, 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

92 YELLOW AND BLACK JADE DRAGON

Length, 4 inches

93 BROWN JADE MANTIS AND CICADA

SUNG PERIOD

Length, 4 inches

94 WHITE JADE HORSE

Length, 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

95 DARK GREEN JADE HYDRA

Length, 4 inches

96 WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH PEARL OF HEAVEN

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches

97 YELLOWISH JADE DRAGON

Length, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches

98 BROWN AND WHITE JADE HYDRA WITH YOUNG

SUNG PERIOD

Length, 3½ inches

99 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4½ inches

100 WHITE AND BROWN JADE DRAGON WITH FOLIAGE

Length, 4 inches

101 WHITE JADE HORSE WITH TWO MONKEYS AND FOLIAGE

Length, 4 inches

102 DARK GREEN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 3½ inches

103 MOTTLED WHITE AND BLACK AGATE FUNGUS OF IMMORTALITY

Length, 3¾ inches

104 WHITE AND BROWN JADE HYDRA AND YOUNG

Length, 5 inches

105 DARK BROWN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Elaborately carved.

Length, 4¾ inches

106 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5 inches

107 CHALCEDONY DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4½ inches

108 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5 inches

109 VERY LARGE GRAYISH-WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

The largest and one of the finest pieces that has come under observation.

Length, 7¼ inches

[SEE ILLUSTRATION ON COVER]

110 DARK BROWN DRAGON

HAN PERIOD

Length, $5\frac{1}{4}$ inches

111 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $5\frac{1}{4}$ inches

112 GRAY JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

SUNG PERIOD

Length, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches

113 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $5\frac{1}{4}$ inches



LARGE JADE DRAGON WITH SMALL DRAGON CLASPING A MOON PEARL
A REMARKABLE PIECE OF WHITE JADE WITH UPPER STRATUM OF ORANGE

[NUMBER 114]

114 DRAGON AND MOON PEARL

A remarkable piece of white jade with upper stratum of orange. On the breast of the larger dragon is a small dragon which clasps the moon pearl in its claw. Made in two parts carved from a single piece of stone.

Length, $6\frac{1}{4}$ inches

[SEE ILLUSTRATION]

115 LARGE WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5¼ inches

116 GRAY AND BROWN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5¾ inches

117 EXTREMELY LONG GRAY JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Exceptionally slender.

Length, 6¼ inches

118 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5 inches

119 RED AND WHITE AGATE FUNGUS OF IMMORTALITY

Length, 3¼ inches

120 WHITE AND BROWN JADE FUNGUS OF IMMORTALITY

Length, 3½ inches

121 WHITE JADE FUNGUS OF IMMORTALITY WITH FRUITS

Length, 4½ inches

122 WHITE JADE DRAGON WITH YOUNG

Massive form.

Length, 4½ inches

123 DARK GREEN JADE BIRD

Length, 3½ inches

124 RED AND WHITE AGATE HYDRA

Length, 3 inches

125 BROWN AND YELLOW JADE BIRD

TANG PERIOD

Length, 2¾ inches

126 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Length, 3½ inches

9 -

127 RED FOSSIL AMBER DRAGON

Length, 2¾ inches

27 -

128 GREEN PEKING GLASS DRAGON

Length, 2½ inches

11 -

129 PINK JADE DRAGON

Length, 2½ inches

20 -

130 GRAY JADE DRAGON

Length, 2½ inches

10 -

131 GRAY JADE MANTIS

SUNG PERIOD

Length, 2½ inches

8 -

132 DARK GREEN JADE HYDRA

TANG PERIOD

Length, 5 inches

18 -

133 WHITE JADE HYDRA

Length, 4½ inches

9 -

134 WHITE JADE MANTIS AND CICADA

Length, 4½ inches

10 -

135 YELLOW AGATE HYDRA AND YOUNG

Length, 4¾ inches

10 -

136 APPLE-GREEN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4 inches

32⁵⁰ -

137 MOTTLED BROWN AND WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

SUNG PERIOD

Length, $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches

138 WHITE AND ORANGE JADE FUNGUS OF IMMORTALITY

Length, 4 inches

139 WHITE JADE SCROLL PATTERN

An unusual piece.

Length, $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches

140 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Simple form.

Length, 4 inches

141 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5 inches

142 ORANGE JADE UNICORN

TANG PERIOD

Length, 3 inches

143 MOTTLED BROWN AND WHITE JADE HYDRA

TANG PERIOD

Length, 3 inches

144 DARK GREEN JADE ANTELOPE

TANG PERIOD

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

145 BROWNISH JADE HYDRA

TANG PERIOD

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

146 WHITE JADE HYDRA

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

147 GRAY JADE MANTIS

SUNG PERIOD

Length, $3\frac{3}{4}$ inches

148 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches



BROWN JADE HYDRA OF THE HAN PERIOD

[NUMBER 149]

149 BROWN JADE HYDRA

HAN PERIOD

Length, $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches

[SEE ILLUSTRATION]

150 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

151 APPLE-GREEN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

152 MOTTLED WHITE AND BROWN JADE HYDRA

TANG PERIOD

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

153 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

154 WHITE AND GREEN JADE HYDRA

Length, $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches

155 GRAY JADE BIRD

TANG PERIOD

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

156 LONG WHITE JADE DRAGON

Length, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches

157 DARK GREEN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches

158 WHITE JADE HYDRA

Length, $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches

159 JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Strata of white and brown.

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

160 YELLOW JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

161 GRAY JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

162 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $3\frac{3}{4}$ inches

163 WHITE JADE HYDRA AND YOUNG

Flecked with brown.

Length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches

164 WHITE JADE DRAGON

Length, $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches

165 WHITE AND BLACK JADE DRAGON AND CICADA

SUNG PERIOD

Length, 3 inches

166 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Flecked with brown.

Length, 3½ inches

167 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4 inches



DARK BROWN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG OF THE SUNG PERIOD

MASSIVE FORM

[NUMBER 168]

168 DARK BROWN JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

SUNG PERIOD

Massive form.

Length, 4½ inches

[SEE ILLUSTRATION]

169 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

• Length, 4 inches

170 WHITE JADE HYDRA

Length, $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches

171 WHITE JADE ANTELOPE WITH FRUITS

Length, 5 inches

172 JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

White and brown strata.

Length, 4 inches

173 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND DOVE

Unusual form.

Length, $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches

174 WHITE JADE HYDRA AND YOUNG

Length, $5\frac{1}{4}$ inches

175 GRAY JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 5 inches

176 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches

177 YELLOWISH JADE DRAGON

Length, 4 inches

178 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches

179 WHITE JADE DRAGON AND YOUNG

Length, 4 inches

180 MOTTLED BROWN JADE DRAGON AND FRUITS

This buckle still has attached to it the blue girdle with which it was worn.

Length, $2\frac{3}{4}$ inches

Total 2,577.50

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